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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional) 902OE002.C1

In re Application of Automatic Power Control and Laser Slope Efficiency Normalizing Circuit

Application Number 10/015,103

Filed December 11, 2001

For

Art Unit 2874

Examiner Rodriguez, Armando

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified Application.

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The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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☐ One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))

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☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))

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☒ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))

\$

950.00

☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))

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☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

\$

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 501413.

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I AM THE ☐ applicant/inventor.☐ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).☒ Attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 35,503☐ Attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a) Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a)**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

October 16, 2003

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Attn: Petitions Attorney Derek L. Woods

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(4) Highest No. Previously Paid for	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	27	Minus	27	0	x 9.00 x 18.00	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	Minus	4	0	x 39.00 x 78.00	\$ 0
Petition Fee (Amended)						\$ 0
		TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT				—————→ \$ 0


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